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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT : WOLFGANG BARNIKOL
SERIAL NO. : Cont. of Ser. No. 08/455,426
FILED : CONCURRENTLY HEREWITH
FOR : METHOD FOR THE PREPARATION OF
MOLECULARLY UNIFORM HYPERPOLYMERIC
HEMOGLOBINS
EXAMINER : A. GUPTA GROUP: 1811

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to the issuance of a first Office Action, and
simultaneously with the filing of this continuation application,
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 8, line 11, delete "in any case is already large
and heavy" and insert -- , as stated above, have an upper
molecular weight range of about 500,000. --.

REMARKS

The Examiner's Advisory Action of April 15, 1997 has
been carefully considered. The Examiner contends that amended